GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

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MINI SEWAGE TREATMENT PLANT IN VILLAGES
Maadam Shri Vikrambhai Arjanbhai

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government recognizes the need for improving sewage disposal system in the rural areas in the country;

(b) if so, whether the Government proposes to set up mini sewage treatment plant in villages in the country during the coming years; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT(DR. RAGHUVANSH PRASAD SINGH)

(a) to (c): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement referred to in the reply to part (a) to (c) of the Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 106 admitted for reply on 24.10.2008

(a) to (c): Yes, Sir. One of the components of Total Sanitation Campaign (TSC) is to put in place a system of solid and liquid waste management in villages. This component was introduced in 2006 in the TSC by Government of India. Panchayati Raj Institutions

(PRIs) are required to put in place mechanisms for garbage collection and disposal and for preventing water logging. Upto 10% of the project cost can be utilized for meeting capital costs incurred under this component. The fund sharing pattern between the Centre, State and Panchayat/Community is in the ratio of 60:20:20. Under this component activities like common compost pits, low cost drainage, soakage channels/ pits, reuse of waste water, system for collection, segregation and disposal of household garbage etc may be taken up. Till date, 590 projects have been approved under the Total Sanitation Campaign for all rural districts of the country. Under these projects, funds have been allocated for taking up works for solid and liquid waste management and 10569 villages have already taken up such works. State-wise number of these villages is annexed.